AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

A computer-readable portable media device is used for transferring network settings and other configuration data to a thin client network device to ~~simply~~ <u>simplify</u> the task of configuring the thin client device for network connectivity and other functions. A configuration program on a personal computer assists a user in creating configuration data, including network settings, for the thin client device, generates an XML file containing the configuration data, and writes the XML file in to the portable media device. The portable media device is then attached to the thin client device. The thin client device detects the portable media device and automatically loads the configuration data from the XML file.